



## Thru The Peepsight

G. I. Summary  
Of World News

BY SGT. E. E. WHITTEMORE

The first anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor was just another day this week as Americans the world over got on with the task of winning a war and a permanent peace.

On the sands of North Africa; in the silt trenches of the Solomon Islands and in the ice-bound Aleutian Islands, American soldiers and sailors looked at grimy calendars last Monday and remembered Dec. 7, 1941, when many of them were still at home or training in army camps in the U.S.A. Then they turned to the business of storming Axis strongholds at Tunis and Bizerte and driving the Japs from Guadalcanal, New Guinea and the Aleutian Islands.

Back home, 17,500,000 war workers kept at their jobs with no observance of the fateful "day that will live in infamy" and 110,000,000 other Americans remembered the day too, but looked forward to the day too, instead of over their shoulders to Dec. 7, 1941.

The war news could not be termed "good," but it was encouraging. Communists for the United Nations gathering men and materials for a tremendous drive in Tunis and Bizerte which they think will still hold despite heavy losses. Those back home reading "between the lines" knew that the Yankees in North Africa had their work "cut out for them" in that campaign, but they also knew that the carefully prepared Allied onslaught, repeated the United Nations letter, "too late with too little" this time.

Across the narrow Mediterranean, the Italians were evacuating their coastal cities. The Nazis were working frantically to strengthen their defenses along the coast of North Africa.

In the Solomons, the Americans are catching the Japs by land against the hard-pressed Japs, weakened by huge naval losses sustained in recent weeks with the U.S.S. Yorktown.

On the other Pacific Islands, such as New Guinea, the Australians and the Americans continue to advance against the Japs, who were fighting this time with their backs against the sea.

Perhaps the most stirring news this week was the report of U.S. production during the last 12 months. The Office of War Relocation Administration reported that the nation during 1942 will have produced approximately 4,000 planes, 32,000 tanks and 100,000 anti-aircraft guns.

The navy told the story of "Pearl Harbor," a story now driving the Japs from Guadalcanal, which Americans worked like mad to make the stronger and stronger than before the Japs bombed it last December.

Rationing was still the topic on everyone's lips. A new system of rationing known as the "point system" will be used with War Ration Book No. 2 to ration commodities not yet announced. The system will not replace straight couponing ration.

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## Sable-hued Unmentionables Hold Sway in G. I. Christmas Gifts

Burly Soldiers Exhaust P. X. Stock; Sweethearts, Wives To Get Perfumes

Black nightgowns and negligees and enchanting perfume known as "Passion" will find their way into the homes of many wives, sweethearts and the soldiers at Benning this Christmas.

Hardy paratroopers, tough infantrymen, rugged armored troops of this vast training center already are flooding the Main Post Exchange daily to select holiday gifts. But, the brave soldiers pay little attention to the candy counters—preferring to find their sweethearts the more dainty lingerie and toiletries.

The Main Post Exchange at Fort Benning is completely out of black nightgowns and appealing black negligees, although many soldiers have left "standing orders" for them when the shipment arrives. Less spectacular, but just as popular, are hankies and socks. According to C. E. Shean, manager of the Exchange for the last 16 years,

A native of Danville, Ill., where he was in the tire and automobile accessory business, Mr. Shean has had to change his outlook on the women-folk back home when he took over a job with the army.

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)—Although the shopping rush for

## Paratroops Stage Florida Dress Rehearsal



View of mass parachute attack by Benning jumpers.

## 505 Paratroopers 'Take' Orlando In Spectacular Air Maneuvers

Raid Filmed by Crack Cameraman; Parapup Sights Cat; Trees Same

BY CAPT. BARNEY OLDFIELD

ORLANDO, Fla.—With potato grenades, two companies of the 505th Parachute Infantry took over this piece of the orange belt last week in two days of mock invasion by vertical envelopment.

Call to the Florida midlands was sounded by Brig. Gen. George P. Howell, commanding the 1st Parachute Infantry Brigade, and Col. James M. Gavin, 505th C. O., into the plans for the test of an air base defense battalion at Orlando.

It was a two-day affair, and the 505th Parachute Infantry fell to Major Arthur F. Gorham's 1st Battalion of the 505th. He assigned the first day's jump to Lt. Ed. Sawyer's A company, the second to C company commanded by Capt. J. E. McGinity.

The haul was the longest from base to jump of any training jump, so far attempted in this country by paratroopers—275 air miles.

To gain the proper air superiority of fighters and dive bombers, planes from Jacksonville, Fla., were called upon to rendezvous and strike some 20 minutes prior to arrival of the transport planes, reticently subduing ground installations which could menace the aerial delivery of fighting men.

The 505th Parachute Infantry played a part in the exercise, against a battalion in each of the daily tests, and there was some tendency on the part of the ground stagers to say it wasn't fair, that the paratroopers couldn't be expected to do much, but to do the best they could.

MAKE QUICK SNAPS  
Treated as a legitimate combat operation, the 505th camera crew flew over the Orlando fields at 15,000 feet, making quick snaps of the ground below, and scurried back to Benning four days in advance of the attack date. Photos were rushed through developing and sent to the exchange, much of it destined for Christmas gifts.

Although several bashful soldiers, reluctant to discuss the whimsies of flimsy underwear and nightgowns with the feminine clerks, have just eyed the dainty lingerie, most of the troops "have good ideas of what they want and what they expect in the way of feminine lingerie," according to Mr. Shean.

The manager explained that on several occasions he has personally helped the more bashful soldiers on their lingerie problems. "If a soldier, if you would like a black nightgown for your wife or sweetheart, Mr. Shean will be glad to help you out."

The appropriate sizes for the women-folk habitually cause consternation to the soldiers. However, a saleslady in the lingerie department, which is one of eleven in the exchange, said that a

soldier usually gets at the approximate size by observing that his girl is "a little bit taller than that girl over there but not quite so fat as you."

NO MISERS  
Although the 75-odd varieties of perfumes at the exchange are enticing, the appeal to the soldiers in gay bottles and packages, several "test bottles" are available for the soldiers' sniff and make their final selection.

And, Fort Benning's soldiers are not miserly in their choice of gifts. Paying six or seven dollars for a small bottle of perfume does not frighten the gift-loving soldiers.

Major H. E. McGaffey, post exchange officer of the post, pointed out that, as in civilian stores, the post exchange finds it difficult to obtain many items for their shelves. Major McGaffey said that between 6,000 to 7,000 persons a day pass through the Main Post Exchange, many of them "window-shoppers" but more yet are potential buyers.

A large storehouse in the rear of the exchange has an untapped supply of "La Perle Fleur" and "Tulipette" cologne, among other appropriate gifts. So, the time still is not too short for the Benning G. I. to make his gift selection: be it fishing tackle, a box of candy or an exquisite perfume.

## Pay Increase Is Approved

Details Promised In Daily Bulletin

Officers at Fort Benning will be notified through the Daily Bulletin as soon as the Finance Department receives notification from Washington regarding payment of increased back pay allowances, Col. J. H. McFall, post finance officer announced today.

President Roosevelt has signed legislation which, for purposes of computing pay, allows officers full credit for time served as enlisted men or officers in the National Guard or various other reserve forces, according to word received from Washington.

The act will be retroactive to last June 1. It was designed to prevent loss of pay to members of the national guard or other reserves when they were appointed as officers in the regular Army.

No directive has yet been received from Washington and it probably will take some time for full information to be sent out to various posts, Col. McFall pointed out.

## Legion Officials Guests Of Fulton On Visit To Post

Roane Waring, national commander of the American Legion, visited Fort Benning Wednesday. He was accompanied by Jackson Dick, Georgia state legion commander; Stanley Jones, state legion adjutant general and Joseph Lumpkin.

Waring served in France in World War I as adjutant of the 65th Brigade, 33d Division, after being promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel as assistant chief of staff, G-3. He participated in both the Meuse-Argonne and St. Mihiel battles.

The national commander, a native of Memphis, Tenn., is president of the Memphis Street Railway company. He is a graduate of the Law School of the University of Virginia.

Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding officer of Fort Benning, gave a luncheon at the Officers' Club.

## Rooms Scarce in Columbus To House Holiday Guests

BY ALVARETTA KENAN  
Director, USO-Travelers Aid

Were you thinking of inviting your wife to Columbus to spend the Christmas holidays with you? Or, perhaps you have already done so. If so, you should read this article.

Did you know that so many wives have already come, and that the "Can You Spare a Room?"

cannot find a room and are sitting in the USO-Travelers Aid and Billeting Offices waiting for the telephone to ring, hoping someone will call and say a room is available? Dozens of officers and enlisted men alike visit the USO-Travelers Aid office each night in

## AWOL Serious Offense Now, Fink Warns

Troops On Furlough Must Return To Duty At Proper Time

Warning was issued today to relatives and friends of Army men who will be on holiday furloughs that severe penalties for AWOL—absent without leave—became effective Dec. 1.

The warning was issued by Capt. George Fink, post judge advocate at Fort Benning, who urged that relatives and friends, make certain that men in uniform start for their camps to be back when their leave is completed.

Captain Fink was notified this week by the War Department that an Executive Order dated November 8, and effective on Dec. 1, removed the maximum limitation of punishment for violations of Article of War 61, covering AWOL offenses.

"According to this absence of just one day in aggravated cases contained in the table which the court martial sees fit to impose. In cases where absence of only a day is construed as desertion, the death penalty may be invoked."

PREVIOUS LIMITS OF PUNISHMENT  
The previous limits of punishment for absence without leave were set in the table which was suspended by President Roosevelt's executive order, were prescribed to meet peace time conditions, and not those of wartime, Capt. Fink pointed out.

"Under wartime conditions, an unauthorized absence is a serious offense, especially in cases where it is proved that there was an attempt or intent to evade or shirk hazardous or important service, or that the punishment of which is death or other punishment as the court-martial may direct."

Even in cases where minor punishment may be meted out, any soldier who deserted the service subsequent to Dec. 7, 1941, and is convicted by a court-martial, automatically loses his American citizenship. Such a man will find it very difficult, if not impossible, to secure employment in many fields on his return to civilian life.

INSIGNIA ON JACKET  
Officer's insignia of rank will be worn on the field jacket, according to an announcement received at post headquarters today.

## Dedication Of Post Office Set For Saturday At Noon

Washington Official Attending; Stillwell Scion To Unveil Stone

First Assistant Postmaster General Ambrose O'Connell will come from Washington to assist in the ceremonies of the laying and dedication of the cornerstone of the new Post Office building at Fort Benning, at noon Saturday.

The cornerstone will be unveiled by 12-year-old Joseph W. Stillwell, III, grandson of Lt. General Joseph W. Stillwell, now leading American forces in China and Burma, and chief-of-staff to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek. Maj. Joseph W. Stillwell, the boy's father, is also serving overseas.

Leighton W. McPherson, postmaster of Columbus, under whose jurisdiction the Fort Benning branch is maintained, will act as master of ceremonies for the occasion.

Music will be furnished by the 29th Infantry band. The invocation will be given by Lt. Col. Frank M. Thompson, chief of the post chaplains branch, after which Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding general of Fort Benning, will give the address of welcome. The address by Postmaster General O'Connell will follow, after which Brig. Gen. Chappell, county stormy petrel, Muscogee county will give a brief talk. The benediction will be pronounced by Chaplain William H. Hunt.

The new postoffice, now rapidly nearing completion, is of brick structure and will furnish nearly twice as much floor space for postal purposes as the present branch on the reservation. It is being built between Hill and Ingersoll streets on avenue Vibber. The entrance will be on Hill street.

Col. McFall Named Bond Issuing Officer For Fort Benning  
Delivery of War Savings Bonds purchased by military and civilian personnel at Fort Benning, under the pay reservation plan, will be speeded up by inauguration of a new system recently announced by Col. John H. McFall, post finance officer.

Effective January 1, 1943, War Savings Bonds purchased under this system will be issued directly by the Finance Department Office here at Fort Benning. Though this means the purchaser will be insured more rapid receipt of the securities, the interval between deduction and delivery being reduced to little more than a month, once the organization has been set up.

Colonel McFall has been appointed a bond issuing officer, in addition to his duties as finance officer. Additional employees will be added to his staff to take care of the new task and all reservations made by Fort Benning personnel, military and civilian, will be handled through that department.

ABSTRACT REQUIRED  
An abstract of class A pay reservation deductions will be required for all military personnel. This will include the name of person authorizing deduction, serial number, month or months of deduction, voucher and month, and amount of deduction authorized. In the case of enlisted men, the abstract will be prepared by the personnel officer along with the pay roll. Abstracts for officers and men on detached service will be handled through the Finance office.

For all civilian employees authorizing class A pay reservations for the purchase of War Savings Bonds, an individual ledger card showing payroll deductions and See **BOND**, Page 7

Winners  
Checks totaling six dollars for awards made for the best poem; cartoon and original contribution to the Nov. 26 issue of the "Baton" were awarded to the Post Public Relations Officer in Post Headquarters.

Award of the dollars for the best poem of the week went to Pvt. Gordon Anderson, 1st Company First Student Training Regiment. The best cartoon was adjudged that submitted by Lt. Lou Clerico of the Publications Section, The Infantry School.

Award for the best original contribution went to Pfc. Paul E. Leacraft, Det. Med. Dept., Station Hospital.

The cartoon was an editorial cartoon while the contribution of Pfc. Leacraft was the editorial entitled "For the Sake of What We Love."

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Capt. Fargo succeeds Lt. Oswald K. Marquardt as bond officer. The latter recently has been named aide-de-camp to Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, post commander.

During the past six months, Capt. Fargo had been assigned to the Infantry School and recently completed the course at the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kans.

FINNEGAN TO SPEAK  
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## Grey Ladies Preparing Many Gifts For Soldiers In Station Hospital



A group of Grey Ladies, working on presents, shown above, are left to right: Mrs. W. C. McKee of Columbus, Mrs. H. Venable of Fort Benning, Mrs. W. C. McKee of Columbus, Mrs. Richard Courney, chairman of the Grey Ladies Corps of Fort Benning, Mrs. R. C. Barlow of Fort Benning and Mrs. R. W. Smith of Columbus.—Official U. S. Army Photo.



HEAD COACH JACK MEAGHER AUBURN

## Auburn Coach Will Speak At Grid Fete

Sunday Dinner Will Be Finale For 1942 Season

Jack Meagher, famed coach of Auburn's great football team which scored the "upset of the year" over Georgia in Columbus a few weeks ago, will be the featured speaker Sunday night at the "Grid Fete" given by the Fort Benning Athletic Association for the members of all six post conference football teams at a gala grid dinner.

The Tiger mentor is a former Notre Dame great and is rated not only as one of the best coaches in the sport, but also ranks high in popularity. He is an unusually interesting speaker and is in great demand throughout the southeastern states.

EX-MARINE OFFICER  
Meagher is affectionately known as the "old Marine" and was a Marine Corps officer in the last war. He has already announced his intentions of giving up coaching for the duration and expects to re-enter the service as a major shortly after the first of the year. Sunday may be his final appearance in this section for some time.

The Auburn coach, who is also athletic director of the Alabama school, has promised to bring along the movies of the now-famous Georgia-Auburn game to entertain the Benning gridders. The feature guest will be introduced at the dinner by Brig. Gen. Walter Scott Fulton, commanding general of the post and a great follower of the conference teams all season.

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2,100 Packages To Be Distributed Christmas Day  
BY LAURA M. BAILEY  
One of the least publicized units of the Red Cross, the Grey Ladies, is quietly and efficiently co-ordinating plans for a Christmas at the Station Hospital, reminiscent of days when the holidays meant a happy willingness of spirit and ingenuity in creating loveliness out of simple materials.

Mrs. Walter Scott Fulton, Chairman of the Red Cross Chapter at Fort Benning, Mrs. Richard R. Courney, Chairman of the Grey Ladies Corps at the Fort Benning Station Hospital, and Mrs. Francis J. Hattaway, Red Cross Assistant Field Director of the Hospital and Recreational Service, have unified the interest and resources of their particular units, post wide contribution of both funds, material effort and large scale effort from various Columbus groups.

It has been through the sincere See **GREY**, Page 8



## Training At Post School Produces Polished MP's

Col. Will Directs Program For Police

Based on methods of the Infantry School, the Military Police School at Fort Benning—believed to be the only one of its sort in the country—is turning out a new type of personnel as different from the hardboiled, rough-tongued, sharp-tongued MP of World War I days as the present day civilian officer is different from the "copper" of 25 years ago.

The MP of today who addresses a soldier or helps a civilian with a problem knows his business. He probably is a graduate of the Military Police School—or if he isn't, the chances are he very shortly will be replaced by such a highly trained, efficient man.

The school is under the direction of Lt. Col. C. A. Will, provost marshal of Fort Benning, with Lieutenant William K. Ward, formerly of Arlington, Ga., in active charge.

Lt. Ward served as an enlisted man in the Military Police at Fort Benning for four years, then went to Ft. McClellan for training and then was sent to Ft. Ord, Calif., where he went through the California State Police School. He then returned to Fort Benning as an Officer Candidate and on graduation was assigned to Col. Will's office.

The school was set up last July, and to date has graduated five classes averaging 30 men. The present class now going through training is one of 20 men.

Men now are assigned from the ranks of limited service men from the Fourth Service Command. Students are given instruction on all phases of police work, including military law, traffic control, post regulations, accident and criminal investigations.

The Day Room of the Military Police Barracks serves as the classroom, and the various intersections and MP posts on the main post of the Fort are the laboratories where the men receive both class room and practical training under the watchful eyes of men

## Gator Lieut. Named Captain

1st Lt. Robert B. Turner, Jr. of Miami, Fla., has been promoted to the rank of Captain, according to an announcement by Lt. Col. Henry W. McMillan, Jr., regimental commander, 124th Infantry.

At present he is assigned to the Headquarters of the 1st Battalion as the Intelligence Officer.

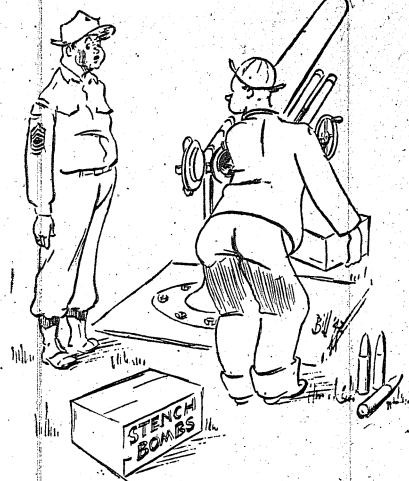
who have previously gone through the training.

After the graduates of the school become proficient and efficient MP's through several months of service as actual personnel and instructors in the "working laboratories" about the Post they are then shipped out in groups as cadres for other military reservations through the Fourth Service Command.

At the conclusion of the course, each man is awarded a certificate. Lieut. Ward also has trained instructors for several organizations through the reservation, and these men now are at work doing training to men of those organizations who are called on to do police work in their respective areas.

"The Military Policeman of today is as different from the MP of World War I to much the same degree that the civilian police officer of our country has changed," Col. Will said, commenting on the school. "Modern methods of crime detection and of scientific research is changing the old time 'copper' into a man of real police ability. In the same way it must be with those whose duty it is to be policemen in the Army. We need good, capable men who know their work. After a four weeks' course at this new military school, students are sent out on the job prepared to do this new and better type of military work."

Assisting Lieut. Ward in charge of the course of instruction, which is laid out on the same basis as the course in the Infantry School, are three sergeants and a Pfc. Sergeant Leonard A. Spector, who was an attorney in civilian life, is in charge of criminal investigation and military law courses. The others are Sgt. El Bentley, Sgt. Lester K. Pittman and Pfc. Bernard Lundgren.



## Benning Heir-Raid

Completed By Sgt. Peter Lorino, Capt. and Mrs. Osborne B. Jones, boy, Nov. 26, 802nd Field Artillery.

Sgt. and Mrs. William Williams, boy, Nov. 26, Hq. Co., 2nd Infantry, 505th Parachute Infantry Regt.

Sgt. and Mrs. Sterling I. Roberts, boy, Nov. 27, Hq. Co., 29th Infantry.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Paul A. Spencer, girl, Nov. 27, Co. "F," 10th Armored Division.

Sgt. and Mrs. Edward C. Dowdy, boy, Nov. 27, Finance Dept.

Capt. and Mrs. Harold E. McDowell, girl, Nov. 27, Co. "H," 1st Parachute Training Regt.

Pvt. and Mrs. Donald B. Foley, boy, Nov. 28, Service Co., 151st Infantry, 38th Division, Carabell, Fla.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Avery M. Nelson, boy, Nov. 28, 420th Armored Field Artillery.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Robert A. Sharer, boy, Nov. 28, Co. "B," 507th Parachute Infantry.

1st Lt. and Mrs. John F. Hardham, girl, Nov. 28, Academic Dept., ISSC.

2nd Lt. and Mrs. Russell Lozano, boy, Nov. 28, 29th Co., 3rd Student Training Regt.

Sgt. and Mrs. Frank M. Hurlbert, girl, Nov. 29, Hq. Co., 124th Infantry.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Carl J. Ghormley, boy, Nov. 29, Academic Dept., TIS.

Sgt. and Mrs. Davey H. Lane, boy, Nov. 29, Co. "L," 28th Infantry.

Pvt. and Mrs. Ed. Nichols, girl.

Nov. 30, 1st Co., Casual Brig, Ft. Benning, and Mrs. Lester K. Pittman, girl, Nov. 30, M. P. Detachment.

M-Sgt. and Mrs. Howard S. Lindsey, girl, Nov. 30, Det., Signal Corps.

Capt. and Mrs. Francis M. Linn, girl, Nov. 30, Academic Dept., ISSC.

2nd Lt. and Mrs. John Walko, boy, Nov. 30, IRTC, Camp Wolters, Texas.

Capt. and Mrs. Arthur J. Klippen, boy, Dec. 1, Station Hospital.

Sgt. and Mrs. William W. Phillips, girl, Dec. 1, Co. "H," Academic Regt., ISSC.

Sgt. and Mrs. Willis E. Anderson, girl, Dec. 2, Co. "D," 29th Infantry.

Sgt. and Mrs. Clarence Veit, girl, Dec. 2, Co. "H," 502nd Parachute Infantry Regt., Fort Bragg, N. C.

Sgt. and Mrs. Thomas E. Halsey, boy, Dec. 3, Hq. Co., 3rd Student Training Regt.

Sgt. and Mrs. Albert R. Holt, boy, Dec. 3, Hq. Co., 3rd Armored Regt., 10th Armored Division.

Sgt. and Mrs. Isaac W. Walker, boy, Dec. 3, Hq. Co., BIR, Camp Robinson, Ark.

Sgt. and Mrs. David M. Kiehl, boy, Dec. 3, Co. "K," 124th Infantry.

Sgt. and Mrs. James A. Waterhouse, boy, Dec. 3, B & C School.

T-Sgt. and Mrs. Miner Turner, boy, Dec. 3, Hq. Co., 2nd Student Training Regt.

Major and Mrs. H. E. Hensberg, boy, Dec. 4, Station Hospital.

## Seven Officers Are Advanced

Another group of officers in the 21st Quartermaster Regiment (Truck), of Fort Benning, has been promoted, according to a recent announcement by Colonel Ellis F. Altman, the regimental commander. First Lt. Wilbert D. Meeks, of Nichols, Ga., adjutant for the regiment and commander of the Headquarters Detachment, was promoted to Captain.

Two captains have been made in the regiment's Medical Detachment: First Lt. Roy Settle, of Indiana, South Carolina, the Regimental Surgeon, and First Lt. Frederick W. Braastad, of Ishpeming, Michigan, Medical Officer for the regiment.

A company commander, First Lt. Robert Alexander, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has added the extra bar. Capt. Alexander is one of the regiment's widely traveled officers—having been stationed at thirteen posts in his twelve year period of service in the army.

First Lt. William G. Walters, of East Point, Ga., Motor Officer for Company "B," has likewise been elevated to a captain while two second lieutenants, Wales W. Wallace, of Columbiana, Ala., and Eugene C. Hagewood, of Ashland City, Tenn., recent additions to the regimental official roster, have been promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant.

## Two Lawson Officers Advanced

Two second lieutenants at Lawson Field, Fort Benning, have been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant, it was announced today. They are Lt. Edmond D. Humphreys, of Rochester, N. Y., and Lt. Arthur H. Nylen, Jr., of Little Rock, Ark.

Lt. Humphreys is a graduate of the University of Michigan, where he spent much time with the Glider Club of the university. He received his commission on April 29, 1942.

Lt. Nylen attended the University of Georgia and the American University in Washington, D. C., and also took post graduate work in accounting at the Harvard Graduate School. He is the son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Arthur H. Nylen, Little Rock.

## Lt. Edward Healy Made Captain

First Lt. Edward J. Healy of New York City has been promoted to the rank of Captain, according to an announcement by Lt. Col. Henry W. McMillan, Commanding Officer, 124th Infantry. Captain Healy formerly was Operations Officer for the 2nd Battalion but recently has been assigned to Regimental Headquarters as the Assistant Operations Officer for the Regiment.

## Paratroopers Send War Bond Sales Over The Top

The Third Battalion of the 507th Parachute Infantry, commanded by Major Arthur A. Maloney, has exceeded the goal of 10 per cent a month for pay reservations allotted to the purchase of War Bonds. A total of \$6,475 a month presently is being invested in securities by members of the unit, it was disclosed today.

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## Benning O. C. Scaled Matterhorn At Age Of 14

Candidate David Owen, of Fifteenth Company, First Student Training Regiment, claims the distinction of being the youngest to ascend the treacherous Matterhorn of the Swiss Alps. This amazing feat was accomplished at the ripe old age of fourteen years.

This hobby of mountain climbing was thrust upon him by his father, Carl M. Owen, who has accompanied him on climbs in the Rockies, the Swiss Alps and the Himalayas.

Though somewhat reluctant to relate his own experience, Owen tells the story of an English nobleman who fell in a crevice at the head of a glacier. Efforts to locate his body were unavailing. Experts, who knew the glacier's rate of flow, predicted that the body would be uncovered at the end of the year after forty years. The perfectly preserved body appeared forty-two years later.

## President Signs Clothing Bill

The bill increasing uniform allowance for officers from \$150 to \$250 allowance is to go to each President Roosevelt, according to word received from Washington by Fort Benning officials.

The new bill also extends the allowance to warrant officers and makes inclusions for National Guard officers who come into the service. Previously National Guard and warrant officers were excluded from benefits of uniform allowance statutes.

# Metcalfe's - 22nd - BIRTHDAY SALE



Right at Christmas this sale should mean about twice as much to you. We purposely planned this event, close enough to allow you to save many dollars on gift purchases. You'll find savings for every one in the family. Bring your Christmas list in and see for yourself how much you can save. This year buy useful gifts—ones that last.

Grand Values In

## MEN'S SUITS

Choose from single-breasted and double-breasted models in Fall's newest colors and patterns. All sizes.

18.50 to 24.50

Just In Time For These

## MEN'S OVERCOATS

The finest coats in Columbus for the money. Form fitting or loose swagger styles. Plain or patterns.

13.50 to 18.50

### Men's Dress SHIRTS

Sanitized and preshrunk materials. Non-will colors.

1.49

### LEATHER JACKETS

Over 200 fine leather jackets in this lot—size 2 through 20's. You will save \$2.00 on \$9.98 this jacket . . . \$8

### MEN'S ODD TROUSERS

Wool mixed materials. New patterns and shades. Real bargains . . . \$2

### DRESS AND MILITARY SHOES

Lace or Strap Styles. Sizes 6 to 12. \$4.50 to \$6.00

## SAVE ON NEW FASHIONS

## Winter Coats

STYLE, WARMTH and COMFORT AT A VERY THRIFTY PRICE!

Sport coats in plaids, flannels and sturdy tweeds. Finer quality linings to keep you snug and warm in the coldest weather. Sizes 12 to 44. OTHERS TO \$16.50

## Fall Dresses

\$2.95 \$3.95 \$5.95

Beautifully and smartly styled of superb fabrics that wear wonderfully. Every exciting new detail . . . every important shade. Select yours today. Misses, stout sizes and half sizes.



### Women's Jodhpurs

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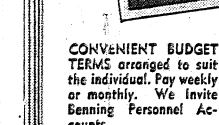
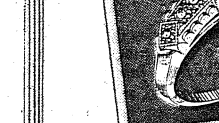
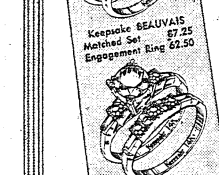
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## Can You Spare A Room?

The Bayonet this week carries a story about the more than usual over-crowded housing conditions which will prevail over the Christmas holiday season. Since only a very limited number of military personnel can travel to their homes, it is only natural that families will want to come here over Christmas.

We have one suggestion which might help. Officers and non-commissioned officers on the post who have guest rooms can, if they wish, open these rooms for a few days and thus make a few more families happy. If you wish to do this, telephone the post billing office, 3505, and register your name and address.

Private rooms are choked downtown and every available hotel room has been reserved long ago. But in spite of these warnings, wives and friends will continue to come. The best advice is to warn your families and friends not to come without a definite room reserved, but those families now on the post can help the situation by making a room available where it is possible.

## Military Fairyland

Of course, everyone knows that the Infantry School has a just and legitimate claim to fame. It has for several reasons. Not the least is its ability to keep its students on their collective and individual toes. But it has another reason which some people might consider vastly more important. It can take things from its grab-bag and make them amusing. What's more, the amusing things serve to teach us in a very thorough way. We've been noting some of them—but we've decided that the tactics committees really pull them out of the bag in a flashing, colorful way.

For purposes of this panegyric, we'll forget all the diabolical things the tactics committees are able to do. They are the things we prefer to forgive (but not forget). For other purposes, we point to the sand table. More specifically to the sand table of Captain Westlake. We are sure that there never has been a sand table of greater interest and greater color than Captain Westlake's. We went to the sand table demonstration (PW also) with some misgivings. Several of us thought that our hours in the sand table and three grades were ample enough on sand tables and blocks. But then we remembered that blocks in the army have proven very disconcerting. (I.e. They decided that this sand table might be a little grimmer, and perhaps another chapter in Jungle Jim-ology. So we sat down, just a bit apprehensive. (We might point out here to the doubting that apprehension is SOP for an Officer Candidate.) Then out came Captain Westlake. The sand table was already there. And we started to play.

First, we built a few hills. And then we put in a few roads and a railroad and a stream and (just for the fun of it) a tributary stream. All this was done to the accompaniment of an amazing bit of by-play as we've been privileged to hear. The stories poured out as the sand poured out. One assisted the other so nicely that we weren't quite sure which was the more interesting.

There were about six or seven visiting paratroopers present—and even those stalwarts were chuckling and definitely engrossed. Especially when the Captain started sprinkling the foliage—a bit of this for trees, a bit of that for wheat fields; a bit of white for cotton, a bit of the same for snow. A little GI tricket for a bridge, and a bit of GI sponge dipped in GI ink stuck on a GI paper clip for trees. It was enchanting. Another new world opened for us, one of many at the Infantry School. We even worked out tactical problems, forgot all about the GI approaching, and sprinkled along with the Captain, merrily adding hazards, planning, riflemen, posting observers, and in general planning and making a reconnaissance.

The instruments for all this make-believe, the Captain pointed out, were very simple. Hitherto, we have always prepared for a joint when we heard that phrase "very simple." We remembered too well that simple display of motorized troop movements, of pulling trucks out by simple complexities like winches. But this turned out to be just that. Just a table—any size. A bag of sand—engineer's. A little roller which, when operated in the tactile hand of the Captain, seemed most effective. A road maker—easily constructed. A railroad maker—done with the same ease. Shakers of green and yellow calico, an ad bit of white chalk. We liked it. We also will use it. Indeed, we wish we had one all to ourselves, to haul around and pull out on tactics and just set up any kind of terrain. It is a School Solution that's neat—and that's more than we can say for just any old bag of sand in any old school.

## Why The O. C. S.

Each graduate O. C. S. class is an expression of confidence that America has voiced in her men. There is a deeper significance to being an officer than just the wearing of bars and insignia. A real officer is a man to the fullest extent, a man of exemplary character, courage and understanding. Graduates should be everlastingly reminded that behind their training commission, that behind all the training given at Fort Benning, that behind every one of our united efforts lies a deadly earnestness to win this war at all costs.

The men who successfully complete the course should engrave in their minds the picture of soldiers dying in Bataan, who gave their lives unselfishly, heroically and without pomp that America might live. Behind each turning gear, each furrowed acre,

each drilled platoon, lies spilled American blood. We must never forget that.

There is more to being an officer than just the basking in the sunshine of personal admiration and ambition. Men entrusted with this honor must feel that their work is only beginning, that the real test of their character is yet to come; and that in each one has been placed the duty to acquit himself nobly and fully whenever and wherever called upon, so that America will continue to live as the symbol of justice and freedom.

We are relying upon our officers to lead us to victory. This can only be done when each one of us performs his job with the feeling and determination that he is contributing to the mighty effort of a mighty people to liberate the world from tyranny.

Each American death on the battlefield is a fervent appeal to us, the living, to fight on and redouble our efforts in this titanic struggle for human rights. Each graduate officer candidate should take with him some of that glorious fervor and determination so unselfishly expressed by those who died for us, as a reminder, as a goal, urging him to spare no effort to prove that "they shall not have died in vain."

O. C. Stanley L. Wojcik

11th Co., 1st STR.

## A Design For Living

"This stand is run by a disabled World War Veteran." The sign was swaying with the mild westerly wind. . . . Resembling the aftermath of a storm, the dim-lighted street seemed quiet and dignified. . . . The little newspaper stand was closing for the night; no more till to-morrow. . . .

"Hey, Mister," I yelled, "got a Sun?" "Aye, I think so; you're lucky; it's the last one." In answer to my thanks, he muttered an incoherent phrase, and proceeded to snap the lock. . . . His deliberate actions attracted my attention; the significance of the sign "Disabled World War Veteran" then occurred to me. . . . He was blind.

"Dya go my way?" he asked expectantly. . . . Tucking his arm under mine, we started to walk.

Suddenly the macabre stillness of the night was pierced by staccato-like shots. . . . My companion recoiled. . . . It was only the back-firing of an auto. . . . We resumed walking. . . . "I guess ya noticed how tense I became; that's an old hanger." . . . Yeh, goes back a long time. . . . Ya see I wuz Pvt. Joe Collins then. . . . He looked at me knowingly as if sensing my inexperience. . . . "Yup," he continued, "War? That wuz only another adventure. All the while he kept looking at me as if wondering whether I followed his faltering speech. At times, he sounded tired, then suddenly his face would light up with 'Ya see, I owed a lot to this country. . . . made some money. . . . nice family. . . . even a little home. . . . What more could a man want. . . .'"

He paused and then. . . . "The next month we went to the front. That same night, my company, on advance control, wuz struck." He continued quietly, "I wuz the only one left. . . . Lemme tell ya, son, I volunteered for this one, too, but it seems I couldn't fit in."

I think we both understood one another. Our parting left me in a semi-sleep; the way home was punctuated by my steps caressing to Joe's "I couldn't fit in. . . . couldn't fit in. . . . fit in. . . . fit in. . . ."

Almost one year has passed, but Joe Collins and his simple story have remained vivid memories. People like Joe have given us the confidence that with such undying patriotism, our ultimate victory is assured.

This same spirit has been the foundation of our Civilian Army and our Officer's Candidates Schools among which the Infantry School at Fort Benning is a splendid example. Here, almost daily, hundreds of husky, patriotic, young Americans are commissioned as well-trained combat leaders. Joe's "I couldn't fit in" has been transformed into "we MUST fit in." This has become our battle cry for the American way which converts every available resource into a double-barreled cannon blasting its way to the preservation of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

O. C. A. S. Franklin

15th Co., 3rd STR.

## WHICH ONE?

A couple stepped into a church and were made one. Then they stepped into their car and the question was—"Which one?"

Husbands—do you live to get the best of your wife, or to bring out the best in her?

Wives—do you live to make your husband comfortable, or to make him great?

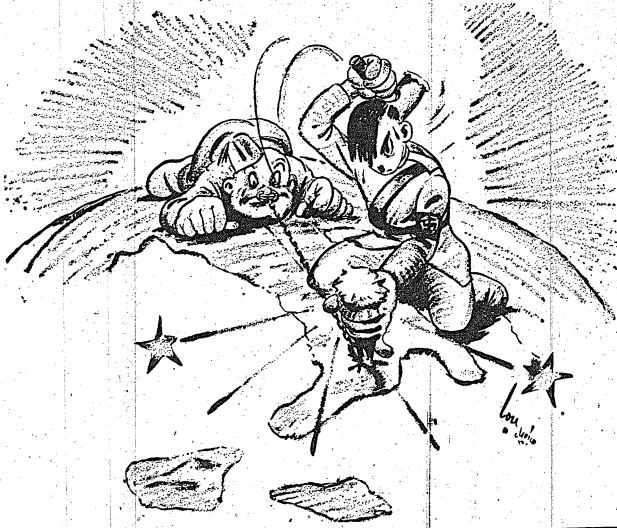
Money talks. To some it is the most eloquent speaker in the world. But even money says—"In God we trust." Worship of anything else is un-American.

Subversive forces don't wear tags, or boast a foreign label; They work if folks like you and me Don't do what we are able.

Golfers were once described as "men with the hoof-and-mouth disease." They hoofed it around all day and talked about it all night. The same disease now seems to be spreading to holders of gas ration cards. But people are discovering again those evenings at home which save both gas and hoofing.

The word INDIVIDUALISTIC has five I's and only one U. The word UNITY has one I and one U. The U comes first.

## When Heel Meets Heel



## Sgt. McDonald's Basket

BY SGT TOM McDONALD

December the 7th has come and gone. A year of disaster, decision and the framework of victory has been ours. This year Americans can look forward to Christmas with zeal and confidence in the future. Perhaps the spirit and hope for what the New Year has to offer has prompted so many to write to Santa Claus.

But of Saint Nick is a very busy man this year. He's doing his best to do his duty on Guadalcanal, India, Europe and North Africa. From the frozen steppes of Alaska to the shores of Tripoli the reindeer are prancing. Santa remembers that the little boys whose stockings he used to fill are now carrying heavy packs of their own. Each and all are doing their part to help keep the Christmas spirit permanent.

Still Old Santa Claus isn't forgetting that we've got plenty of eager boys on duty over here too and not only will he answer each and every letter but he intends to see that each and every sender has a happy holiday.

The first letter of Santa Nick's hit parade is from TS Elbeu Tanglefoot Cook, an orderly in Co. of the ISSC.

Dear Santa: I am a good boy. I do a good turn daily in all four directions. I don't want much for Christmas. Just send me a list of what you've got and I will check off the items I want and send it back to you.

Always,  
Cohen

Well, this is all for today in the way of letters but in closing I have again been forced by Colonel Swampwater to add a few of his original instructions.

1. Don't pay more than twice for those presents you are sending home to Mom and the girl friend.  
2. Don't wait until December 24 to do your shopping.  
3. Remember to eat, drink, and be merry through the holiday, but don't spoil someone else's fun by making him have to take time to carry you home.

Now, I've thought the phrase "soldier boy" was rather silly expression to be used for the magnificent healthy specimens that make up the personnel of our armed forces. The phrase ran through my mind as I grinned at the wild scramble for sweets.

I should like that sour-faced reformer to see the picture. The "ch, tching" of her tongues as she accused our men of sinful fondness for spirituous liquors was insulting in the general application she used so freely. One look at those soldiers gulping cokes and spooning up ice cream out of a paper cup with satisfied relish should send her to the back yard for a full burial of her prohibition schemes.

Worried mothers should see the picture too. The cleanliness and decency of these young men in their youthful enthusiasm would leave a thought that a country which could produce men like these can look with hope to the future.

Now I'll make my dash to the refrigerator for a coke and bring an end to labors that should be dripping with glamour, but aren't.

THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT . . .  
CAMP GRANT, Ill.—The order in which soldiers love things are listed as follows:  
Private: 1. Himself, 2. Chewing gum, 3. Beer.  
Private, First Class: 1. Himself, 2. Beer, 3. Stripes.  
Corporal: 1. Stripes, 2. Himself, 3. Beer.  
Sergeant: 1. Himself, 2. Himself, 3. Himself.



## Chaplain's Corner..

Chaplain Frank M. Thompson

You have read about ghost towns and no doubt visited some. Once they were full of life, flourishing, promising. Then something happened. Today they live in memory or lie in desolation. All of which is very bad.

However, there are other ruins which remind us of ghosts. Men who in days gone by were strong in mind and body, now wasted away, a shadow of their former selves. What happened to them is in store for all whose years lengthen. Time sees to that.

This, too, is a matter for tears. The most pathetic of all ruins, though are those brought about by moral disintegration, a spiritual collapse, the destruction of the qualities which make life whole and worth while.

"Would you know where spirits do congregate, where you will find a real ghost town? It is found behind prison walls. There existence is emptied of all beautiful dreams, fond hopes. There the shades of the inmates wander forth to scenes of long ago where life was good and the future rich with promise. But something happened.

Ghosts also walk in more inviting places. There was the old man whose wealth had come by tactics none too ethical. As he sat musing over things, the angel of his better nature appeared to him in the form of a visitor, unannounced. Under the spell of the visitor's gracious words and kindly presence, his soul grew restless, his life seemed so cheap and shabby.

Then suddenly as he had come, the specter disappeared. The man ran to the door crying, "I didn't get your name."

Out of the darkness came a voice, "I am the man you might have been."

"Of all the sad words of tongue or pen,  
The saddest are these, it might have been."

## Poetry

THE PARATROOPER'S PRAYER

Now I lay me down to sleep.  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.  
Grant no other soldier take.  
My shoes and socks before I wake.  
For sharply at six o'clock each morn.

I listen to the bugler's corn.  
So, Lord, please guard me in my slumber.  
In this barracks made of lumber.

May no posts or bed springs break.  
And let me fall before I wake.  
Cause when I dream that I am falling.

I can always hear St. Peter calling.  
So in the morning let me wake.  
Dreaming of the jump I'll make.  
God, protect me in my dream's.  
When I am far across the stream.

Grant the time will swiftly fly.  
And we'll wipe out all them slant eyes.  
When there's no more rising sun.  
And we again can have our fun.  
Then I'll return to my feather bed.

Where I long to rest my head.  
Far away from all these scenes.  
And the smell of half done beans.

Take me back into the land.  
Where you don't eat your food with sand.  
Where for sure each soldier knows

That the women wash their clothes.  
es.  
God, thou knowest all our woes.  
Help wipe out our yellow foes.  
Take me back I'll promise them.  
Never to get caught in the draft again!

THE MIGHTY WEAPON

Oh, worthy mothers of 20th century American might!  
Victims again of whitful history's plight,  
Hear this tribute to the part that is yours  
In this game of human chess that men call wars.

Your great battle began the day he went away.  
And it continues yet, all through the day  
And through many hours of sleepless nights  
Leaving scars, time's deadly work, years 'fore his right.

In dawn's mist hugging the earth like a covering of gauze  
In the thick of scary night now scared too because  
In every shell-hole, in every battle, on every front  
You're with every fighting man, sharing in his brunt.

Every whining bomb that falls to  
Where for sure each soldier knows

## Day-Room Duds

By SGT. HARRY R. CHARD

"It's all off!" shouted Corporal Messitt, joining the nudist colony for the duration of his furlough.

That's a cute baby, you have there, but why is he so how-legged?

"Well, you know, the sergeant, before transferring, was in the cavalry."

Supply Sgt.: "You don't mean to tell me those shoes are worn out?"

Pvt. Ratus: "Nah, suh, sarge. They're not exactly worn out, but they're getting so thin that when I steps on a dime I can tell whether it's heads or tails."

Private Cluck says women are like a watch—they have pretty hands—pretty faces—good movements—but they're hard to regulate when they get out of order.

NEWS ITEM  
Private Wetnose, disregarding the "knock before entering" sign, busted into the orderly room, told the top kick he wasn't running the outfit right, the duty roster was wrong, and that he would see him in hell before he pulled that Sunday K. P.

The deceased would have completed six years service in December. Burial will be in the post cemetery at 9:00 a. m.

"Sarge, how about a three-day pass for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday? Then I can leave here Saturday noon."

"Scram, dogface! The army ain't issuing rubber passes that stretch that far."

Soldier at circus: "Look! here's a monkey in a glass cage!"  
Trainer: "Pardon me, soldier, but you're looking in a mirror."

Sergeant Snipes, back from a thirty-day furlough, reports that upon entering Hicksville and for the first time beholding the town's new police patrol, he was completely carried away.

"Gee, this steak is tough," the recruit exclaimed.  
"That's not tough," the old-timer consoled. "Wait till you see the mess sergeant."

The Peeping Toms Club at Fort Nudist now has as its official theme song that appropriate ditty, "With My Eyes Wide Open."

"The mess is in a hell of a shape," the old man told his top

kick. "The men are beginning to grow, I wish I could find a man who doesn't drink, smoke, cuss, or run around with women. I wonder where I could dig one up."

"Sir, try the post cemetery."

"Darling, you're the seventh wonder of the world!"

"Oh, yeah? Well, listen, soldier! Don't ever let me catch you out with the other six!"

THE BERRIES  
"What's your name?" the recruiting clerk asked the first of three applicants standing in line for a newberry.

"Marberry."  
Looking hard at the third, the pen-pusher cracked sarcastically, "Now, I suppose you're gonna tell me yours is razberry, huh?"

Recruit Feathersby was walking past a light for the first time. He heard someone approaching in the gloom. Bringing his rifle to port arms, he yelled:

"Halt! Who's there?"  
"Officer of the day?" came the reply.

"For some time the O. D. waited to be advanced, but evidently the recruit had forgotten the procedure. At length:

"Are you going to keep me standing here at attention all night?" the O. D. called angrily.

"Sir," he recruit responded, "Stand at ease!"

I'm at the end of my rope," joked the infantry sergeant, musing as his five-cent stogie started burning his mustache.

Fined for drunkenness and lacking the money to pay the judge, the private crossfire wired his company commander:

Roses are red.  
Violets are pale;  
Send me ten bucks  
To get out of jail.

The state officer replied:  
Roses are red.  
Violets are pink;  
I'll send ten bucks  
I don't think.

I hate the guy who calls me Pal,  
Who borrows my dough,  
Who steals my gal.

Soldiers used to be shot at surprise. . . . Some of them still are.

## Of Bunkfatigueitis

By PVT. M. N. BOLNICK

Bunk Fatigue is a disease peculiar to the sleeping organs and because of its commonness and prevalence Tail Skid has made a survey of it with the following results:

"This disease is not easy to understand or diagnose. There are no objective consequences as in seasickness. Nor is there pain as in appendicitis—or loss of appetite, dizziness or hot flashes—symptoms of a disturbed constitution. The medicos themselves are at a loss to explain it because the cause is so remote and their seasonal salt tablets are of no avail.

Sometimes soldiers pick it up from the climate, sometimes from reading the bulletin board and sometimes just from hearing the bugle. Bugle fatigue is one phase of bunk fatigue. Shortly after Reveille the fatigue vaguely mixes out something with three stripes hovering directly over him.

"Let's see something move, soldier!"

The fatigue mumbles three words or maybe only two.

"What's that?" yells "three stripes," which is meant for any other fatigues nearby.

"Hey, you sorry sack, why don't you shake up someones and lemme loose . . . model T sergeant!"

"Yeh, that's clever, soldier, but remember you're now in the

wound the earth  
Sends misery-laden shrapnel screaming for a berth.  
And near or miles away in your head it strikes to wrest  
What little life remains therein since that day he left.

For every mother's son on scorched land or churning sea,  
Who falls to preserve a heritage this right to be free,  
You bleed great buckets of blood and blood that's not red;  
Yes, it's purer still! It's the tears that you shed.

A soldier has but one life to give only once does he die;  
But you die a million deaths, each time death's shadow walks by.  
Oh, mothers, hear me out, you're front line soldiers all;  
Grim fighters in gingham, ready at every call.

Wherever in God's world that night fight sons  
And this frightened earth trembles at the roar of big guns.  
You bring the mightiest of weapons to bear,  
And your only weapon is a stick of

Prayer.  
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## Officer Candidate Cited By Gen. Pershing In 1919

Sgt. Donisfe Saw Action In 5 Battles

Officer Candidate William A. Donisfe, though still a young man, has had a long and interesting career with the armed forces of the United States. He started his career by enlisting in the 28th Infantry Division in 1917 and promptly underwent eight months of intensive training Camp Hancock, in Augusta, Ga. Having completed this training he was sent to France, landing at Calais on April 3, 1918.

On his very first night on foreign soil the harbor of Calais was bombed by German Zeppelins. The American soldiers went outside smoking cigarettes, but there were promptly put out by British soldiers who even then were accustomed to air-raids. After two months more training the big day arrived and for the first time Donisfe saw actual combat with the Germans in the famous battle of Chateau-Thierry. Then followed in rapid succession the Meuse-Argonne, Aisne-Marne and the Argonne Forest. Donisfe, a private at this time, completed his World War One fighting about twenty miles from Metz when the Germans laid down their arms on that memorable date of November 11, 1918.

**WRITTEN COMMENDATION**  
Sgt. Donisfe was given a written commendation by General Pershing for his service to this country, at a Division Inspection held in Domprey, France. The biplace of Joan of Arc on March 18, 1919, and claims the distinction of having participated in five of the world's great battles.

Discharged from the Army in 1919, Donisfe tried the Navy for the next few years, and eventually and adventure came his way again. He spent a year at the dangerous business of sweeping mines in the North Sea, and was an eye-witness to the surrender of the German fleet at Scapa-Flow, Scotland in 1919, being at the time a seaman aboard mine-sweeper number twenty-six, the U. S. S. Rill.

Returning to his first love, the Army in 1924, Sgt. Donisfe served another three years with the 11th Signal Battalion at Fort Hamilton. In 1928 he enlisted again and has been soldiering since that time. He rose rapidly to the rank of Technical Sergeant with Headquarters Company, 1st Infantry, and then Headquarters Company, 11th Infantry. Following this he was sent to Fort Benning, where

he successfully led his class through the Enlisted Radio Operator's course here.

## Soldiers Warned To Beware Of New Racket

Soldiers should make sure the folks back home know that he and he alone will carry on money dealings with them, says the Department Bureau of Public Relations in exposing one of the current "rackets."

The department cites a letter from a soldier in the field who received a card from his mother asking if he had a chance to use the camera for which she had sent him money. The soldier added the department had not seen any camera money and started a quiet little investigation.

It seems that a soldier, posing as a friend of his, visited his mother, told her all about her son and mentioned that he wanted money for the camera. The mother-like all mothers do—scrapped up the money and sent it back by her son's "friend." Her money, never got to the money.

"Every soldier," says Washington, "should make it plain to his folks back home that he alone will conduct financial dealings with them."

## 10 Lieutenants Made Captains

The first lieutenants in the 10th Armored "Tiger" Division have been promoted to the rank of captain. The newly appointed officers are:

Captains Jack L. Balthis, Franklin A. Bickford, Marion C. Gallier, Richard L. Gamwell, Curtis L. Hankins, Joseph N. Hopkins, Charles L. Husted, Jr., John H. Mowen, William E. Murray, George A. Renoux, John P. Thrift and Richard W. Ulrich.

Treat all weapons as though they were loaded until you see whether or not they are empty.

## 100 QM Soldiers Complete Course In Three R's

School days were ended for approximately one hundred men of the 21st Quartermaster Regiment (Truck) last week when Colonel Ellis F. Altman, regimental commander, spoke to them at their final session.

For six months the Educational Division of the Georgia Works Progress Administration has been working along with this regiment in providing instruction in basic school subjects for certain men of the regiment who have been unable to secure sufficient fundamental education before coming into the army. Meeting four evenings a week, after days of their duties, these soldiers came from every company within the regiment and were taught by civilian instructors furnished by the state WPA.

On the final night of their period of training, the men of the school heard Colonel Altman congratulate them on their progress to improve themselves. "You have shown, by your presence at this school," said the Colonel, "that you are interested in bettering yourselves and any man in my regiment who tries to improve himself will be rewarded for his efforts, as I am more interested in your desire to advance than in the grades you have made."

With these words, the men who comprised the first Regimental School were released from further attendance—confident that their spare time had been put to good use.

## NEW CLASS SLATED

Hardly had the records of these men been completed, when plans were made, qualification cards studied, and a roster drawn up of prospective students for the next class in the school. Checking on men who had reported to the regiment since the other class began, it was found that there were a sufficient number of soldiers in need of training to justify this new class. Consequently, on Thursday evening, December 3rd, another large group of men was enrolled in the school and immediately started learning the fundamentals of reading, writing, geography, spelling, and arithmetic.

Often spoken of, by Mrs. Juanita Black and Miss Shaw, supervisors of this state wide WPA Educational project, as being the best equipped and most cooperative school in their system for the training of colored soldiers; this extra activity of the 21st Quartermaster Regiment (Truck) is typical of many opportunities offered men in the organization.



## Peeks at Pics

The two main features this week are "George Washington Slept Here" and "Once Upon A Honeymoon." Both of them are top-notch stories with top-notch casts. . . . The first of them, "George Washington Slept Here," has been changed a bit from the original Broadway script. . . . In the original show it was the husband who wanted to live in the country and falls in love with the little house, thus giving the wife all the gags and sarcastic lines. . . . But this had to be changed in order to have Benny as the funny man and give Sheridan the straight lines. So, in the movie version it is the wife who years for the wide open places. . . . Some of the things happening on the set during the filming of "George Washington Slept Here" have some effect on the life of Comedian Jack Benny. There was a time during the filming of one scene when a tree fell in the direction of Ann Sheridan. . . . Jack became a hero by rushing to her aid and getting her out of the way just in time. But something just had to be sacrificed and that was his famous violin. . . . It was crushed beyond repair.

The other show, "Once Upon A Honeymoon" is the story of two young people in the period of history before and after the invasion of France. . . . History, or what passes for a reasonable facsimile thereof, is the theme of the picture. . . . Supporting the stars, Ginger Rogers and Cary Grant, are such assorted characters as Chameleon, Daring of total quality which belongs to the Fisk interpretation of the spirituals. They have enjoyed the praise of such renowned musicians as Walter Damrosch, Alma Gluck, and Roland Hayes, who was formerly a Fisk student and one of the Jubilee group.

Mrs. Myers has been director of the Jubilee Singers for 37 years, beginning her education at Fisk University as a girl in the children's department, she learned to sing the spirituals from one of the original Jubilees, and has become one of the nation's leading authorities on interpretation of these stirring folk songs of the Southland.

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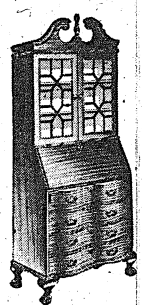


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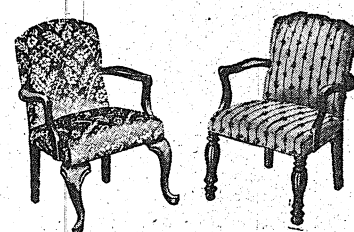
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# Sportscasting

BY SGT. CARL NEU

Mr. Big of Benning football this fall was undoubtedly Roy Cestary, the great tailback and captain of the all-winning 124th Gators who closed their campaign with Sunday's resounding win over the 29th Infantry. If there ever was any doubt as to Cestary's position at the top of the heap, it was dispelled in that game before the popping eyes of some 8,500 solid fan.

The big lad in the orange and blue molehills turned on one of the most amazing performances that even old-timers had ever seen in Doughboy Stadium. And he was playing against an inspired Blue Devil team which knew that it had to stop Cestary in order to win a game that meant everything to them. In other words, "Cest" was a marked man. The heat was on him, but like the great competitor he is, the Gator G. I. came through magnificently.

He passed a soggy ball just as accurately as he ever hurled a dry one. His kicks were of plenty of distance, and his control over the punts was worthy of high praise. Once or twice, they helped the Gators pick up valuable yardage. He ran the team, as he has all season, with much aplomb and cunning. He seemed to know where to strike and when and how.

And all this, mind you, was in addition to the fact that on Sunday, Cestary was just about as fine a running back as this writer has ever seen anywhere on college or pro gridiron—and that includes



Tommy Harmon, Frank Reagan, Tuffy Leemans, Frank Sinkwich, Monk Gafford, and a host of others noted for their great ball-carrying ability.

Joe Livingston, the able sports editor of the Columbus Ledger who watched the fray from the press box, just about summed it up when he wrote that "as a tailback Cestary ranks among the best." The Locker Room Linguist also added that Cestary's passing reminded him of Dixie Howell, Alabama's great heavier a few years back, who was really tops in the art of flinging the pigskin.

When Cestary was reeling off those two sensational touchdown runs of 65 and 48 yards (one of which was called back), one could help but think of how valuable he would have been to the South this year if he had been able to continue his schooling at the South this year. Instead of being an outstanding contender for all-conference honors at Fort Benning right now, he might be pushing his home town rival, Frank Sinkwich, for All-American honors.

But Roy Cestary is playing a much bigger game than football these days. Right now, he is a first class private in Co. "H" of the 124th, but his consuming ambition at the moment is to be accepted for the officer candidate course in the 124th. He is a man who can lead as Cestary does on the gridiron would be invaluable on the field of battle.

Cestary is not only a great footballer, but a great fellow, too. He's modest, unassuming but not the "put on" bashful type. He's popular not only with his team-mates but with every last officer and enlisted man in the Gator regiment. He's also a reliable boy and has been a great volunteer helper for Lieut. Peter Quinn, popular Catholic chaplain of the 124th.

Pride and joy of the Gator star's life right now is the football heritage of his home town which he has carried on so admirably on Benning gridiron. He hails from Youngstown, Ohio, and points with pride to the fact that three of his home towners are in the 124th. And he's not alone. Besides Sinkwich, Georgia's George Posch for the 124th, and Notre Dame's Bob Dove, probably the nation's best end, are Youngstown boys. Cestary played high school football against all three of them, as well as being on the same freshman and varsity squads with Dove during his two seasons at Notre Dame.

Roy played for Ursuline High, a Catholic school in Youngstown, and for three seasons was the star tailback. In his junior and senior years, he made the all-city teams. That was in the fall of 1937 and 1938. During those same years, Sinkwich and Poschner were the big stars at Chaney High, a larger public school in Youngstown.

Chaney beat Ursuline all three years, but Cestary recalls that the games were always close and hard fought. In the junior year, the present Gator great scored his team's touchdown, but an extra point beat his team, 7-6. In the final campaign in high school, it was none other than Sinkwich who talked for Harry Wright, Murphy and all the other seniors of this fall's Fighting Irish eleven. That was Elmer Layden's last year as head coach at N. D., and it was also the season that Angelo Bertelli was the Irish star.

Circumstances forced Cestary to drop out of school in the spring of '41, and the next fall he entered Youngstown College in his home town. However, "Cest" had a chance to play only one game there, before Uncle Sam tapped him on the shoulder and summoned him into the "big" game. He eventually was sent to Fort Benning and assigned to the 124th with a lucky day for Capt. Red Milton, Gator coach, and the rest of the regiment.

Cestary has captained the Gators all season and inspired by leading the way. Pictures of Sunday's game show him blocking just as hard for another ball carrier as they block for him. Right now, he's busy working out with the Gator court squad, and if he plays basketball like he does football, the orange and blue will be right in the thick of the pennant fight. He plays forward, and was on his high school varsity for three seasons. He's a fair shot, a good floor man, and there's no need to ask about his passing.

Great fellow, this Cestary. He's been the Frankie Sinkwich of Fort Benning this fall, and he can be on our All-American of great players anytime anywhere!

## Fort Benning Conference

FINAL STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
124th Infantry Gators	5	0	0	1.000
3rd Armored Dragons	3	1	1	.750
117th Infantry Breakers	3	2	0	.600
29th Infantry Devils	2	2	1	.500
11th Armored Tankers	1	4	0	.200
58th Armored Engineers	0	5	0	.000

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# Cestary Stars As Gators Smash Devils In Final Conference Game Before 8,500

## Dragons Close Grid Campaign With 13-0 Win

Linscott And Carney Score As 3rd Armd. Tops Drew Field

A surprisingly large crowd of more than 5,000 fans watched the powerful 3rd Armored Dragons of the Fort Benning Conference whip a signal corps team from Drew Field at Phillips Field in Tampa, Florida, last Sunday afternoon by a 13-0 count.

The minions of Capt. Leo Gregory closed out their first grid campaign with their third straight win as they scored once in the first period and again in the third. Meanwhile, the Dragon forward wall played great football to hold the Filers to four first downs while their own backs were running up 14, mostly on passes.

### LINSCOTT SCORES

Beginning scored mid-way in the initial canto after a 34-yard aerial from Ralph Brett to End John Hamilton had carried to the six-yard line. On the very next play, flashy Tailback Nick Copra took the ball from center and tossed to Bob Linscott, sub quarterback, in the end zone for six points. Copra added the extra point from placement.

It took the Dragons most of the third period to set up their final tally, and then a blocked punt aided them. The punt was recovered by Jimmy Phipps on the Drew Field 28, and a roughing penalty against the home team pushed the 3rd Armored to the 14.

### CARNEY BULLS OVER

Brett passed to Copra for another first down on the four-yard line, and then Big Chief Carney, the Indian fullback, took over for the Dragons and punched over the last stripe in two plays. Copra's placekick was blocked.

Drew's only serious threat came late in the final quarter, but a pass interception by Center Harry Baldon of the Dragons averted serious danger. If the game had lasted a minute longer, the Benighted might eleven might have scored again because they were on the one-yard stripe of the Tampa field when the final whistle blew.

## Gator Quintet Will Meet ISSC Profs In Saturday Tussle

Two of the most potentially powerful quintets on the post will clash in a practice game Saturday afternoon in the post gym at 7:30 o'clock when the 124th Gator courtmen oppose the Academic Regiment's Profs.

Coached by Lieut. Frank Shannon, the Profs have already played several warm-up tilts and won them from teams in Columbus such as Nehi Reds and Bibi Mills. This will be their first outing against a soldier five.

The Gators, who will be tutored this year by Lieutenants Bender and Jackson, expect to have a powerful quintet. They have been drilling for the past two weeks every afternoon in the Harry Wright Church sports arena, and the squad has already been cut to varsity size. Outstanding Gator prospects are Foster, Newman, Strayer, Hodges, Bradley, Howell, Cestary and several others.

## Devils Start Boxing League

By CORP. TOM MULVHILL

Last Thursday night opened the fight season in the 29th Infantry, at the Recreation Hall. A crowd of better than 500 filled the small arena to witness some fancy slug-fighting, and when the final bell rang the fans still wanted more.

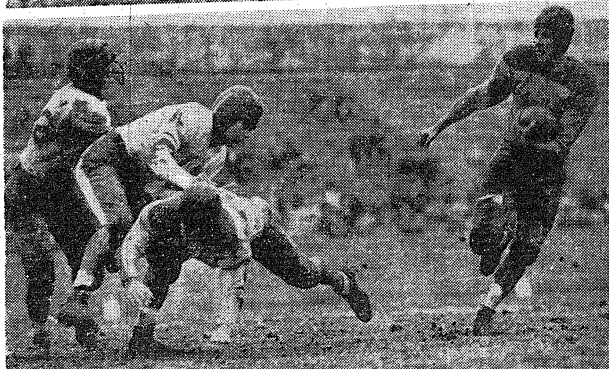
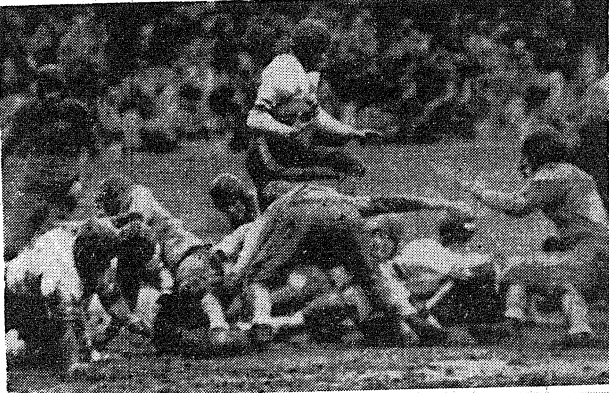
The fastest fight of the evening was the T. K. O. by Thompson of G Company over Gresham of H Company. Thompson flew at his opponent with the fury of a wild cat, and all his blows were good, smashing thunderously over his man.

Another TKO was added to the attraction in a heavyweight battle between Ogleby of M Company, and Whittington of G Company. Ogleby held off his attacker for two rounds, and in the third round, Ogleby came back, and laid them in fast and furious.

In the main attraction of the evening, Abramowitz of 1st Bn. Hd. Co. won a decisive over Womack of Service Company. The fight was a grudge match, and Womack was downed twice, but rolled. Abramowitz is a well known fighter in Jersey, and fought the best of them, but the fastest man in the whole lot was Womack to stand the beating.

Monday night, December 7th, brought forth the second card in the league series. In the light weight class Lee, came back, and won a decision over McDonald of F Company. Both were good boxers, but Lee had the edge over his man in the hard rights and uppercuts that he managed to get in.

Morgan of G Company and Candolino of Company H fought in the welterweights, but Candolino outpointed his man to take the decision.



## Brown Stars as Breakers Top 55th Engineers, 27-7

Lanky End Tallies Twice In Final Night Game

Lieut. Johnny Cudmore's speedy 17th Infantry Breakers would not let the 55th Engineers get a night under the Doughboy Stadium mazzas with a convincing 27-7 conquest of the 55th.

The Engineers, cellar-dwellers in the loop standings, showed surprisingly strong resistance and made the game a lot closer than the final score indicated. Two Breaker tallies came late in the fray as a result of a blocked kick and a pass interception, and turned the game into a rout.

BROWN SENSATIONAL Lanky "Stoop" Brown, sensational left end, was the big star for the 17th, scoring two of the four Breaker tallies, and playing a whale of a game on defense. A short while later, they were knocking on the door again when Mike Banaseak, stellar Breaker center, plucked a pass thrown by Fred King out of the air on the 18-yard line, and raced 82 yards for the first touchdown. The big pivot was conveyed most of the way by Blue and Gold blockers. Cudmore's conversion boosted the lead to seven points.

In the second period, the ultimate victors scored again when they unfurled a double-pass effort from the four-yard line to Billy Sturgill slipping the ball to

Cot Presnell who faded back and heaved to End Bill Bowlin in the corner of the field for the tally. The Breakers held a 13-0 lead at intermission.

Led by their playing coach, Lieut. Carl Deane, ex-Duke blocker, the Breakers drove back in the third period to drive 68-yards for a tally. Deane and Fullback Johnny Krull paced the land attack. Krull romping through a big hole at left tackle from the 12-yard line for the six-point.

It was in the final canto that Brown came into his own. Early in the period, Deane dropped back to kick for the Engineers from his own 12, but the lanky Breaker end ripped through to block the punt, then scooped it up and dashed into pay dirt for a touchdown.

A few minutes later, John Cudmore, the Breaker coach, who played 58 minutes of bang-up ball at right tackle, intercepted a 55th aerial on the 24-yard line. On the first play, Charley Pierce heaved a bulls-eye to Brown on the ten, and the great flankman went over for the final tally. Cudmore converted after both touchdowns to account for the final figures of 27-7.

## Bayonet Will Pick All-Star Team In Next Week's Paper

Next week's sports pages of the BAYONET will feature the selections for Fort Benning's 1942 mythical All-Conference eleven. Since this was the first year of operation for the Fort Benning Conference, it will also be the first time that a mythical all-post team has ever been picked.

## Ace Back Runs, Passes For All Three Scores As 124th Wins, 21-7

In one of the greatest games ever played on the battle-scarred turf of historic Doughboy Stadium, the mighty Gator gridmen of the 124th Infantry rose to superb heights last Sunday to defeat a hard-fighting 29th Blue Devil eleven, 21-7, in the finale of the Fort Benning Conference.

A crowd of 8,500 screaming fans watched the bitter rivalry battle, and saw the great Roy Cestary perform in All-American fashion as he led the charges of Capt. Red Milton to a smashing triumph over an inspired Two-Nine team.

### RUNS 65 YARDS

Cestary turned in his greatest performance of the season for the champion Gators, scoring once himself on a thrilling 65-yard burst off-tackle, and heaving two passes for the other Gator tallies. The first touchdown pass to End Pete Peiton, was good for 16 yards, and the second was taken by Vernon Smith, speedy wingback, for a 32-yard scoring play.

The Gator tailback's greatest piece of individual work, however, was a 48-yard touchdown run in the final period that was nullified by a penalty. He crashed off-tackle, was apparently stopped, reversed his field twice, and miraculously evaded swarms of tacklers for a great run in vain.

Passing with a soggy ball, the former Notre Dame player did some exceptional aerial work that gave a major part in earning the 124th its triumph. Cestary also did the punting, and several times executed quickie kicks to pull the Orange and Blue out of danger.

### 29TH PLAYED WELL

The 29th Blue Devils went down bloody but unbowed, turning in a magnificent performance all the way in a game that they probably would have won were it not for Cestary. Lieut. Joe Ashmore's charges in blue and white, seeking to salvage a disappointing season with a climax win, never gave up. They played hard, aggressive football and did themselves proud even in defeat. In first downs, they led the winners by a margin of ten to eight.

Gator fans were shocked at the very start when the inspired Two-Niners drove 73 yards for a score in three and a half minutes after taking the opening kick-off. Joe Bryan's line smashes and Ed Hurley's passes speckled the drive. The ball-carrier seems to be just waving away the Gators but they with Hurley unleashing a beauty over tackle late in the second period. In the middle picture, is graphic evidence of the all-around ability of the great Cestary. He is shown here blocking out two Devils with one fell swoop as his team-mate Claude Hackney roars back 36 yards with a punt return.

Hurley with the nose guard and Mark Simmons, sub end. In the shot alongside is a moving scene as Cestary tried to buck over tackle late in the game. Simmons of the Devils has a firm grasp on his head. He is around the mid-section. It was one time that the Two-Niners managed to halt him completely.

### PIETON SCORES ON PASS

Capt. Red Milton's title-winning Gators broke the deadlock less than a minute before the intermission when Cestary converted his fifth straight pass to Pieton for a 16-yard scoring effort. Crossing up the Devils, Cestary struck rumbly for a paid extra point, and the Gators were out in front, 14-7 at half-time. The Gators struck quickly early.

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## Panthers Lose To Commandos In Title Game

In one of the year's most stunning upsets, the brand new Commando gridmen of the 2nd Infantry Training Center, Bataan, upset the highly-touted Benning Panthers last Thursday night in the stadium by a 13-0 score to capture the colored championship of the post.

The Commandos, coached by Lieut. Bill Doctor, had trained only a short while for the climax of the year's football season, but they gave the more experienced Panthers a battle right from the opening whistle.

### COMMANDOS STRIKE

Until the final two minutes of play, however, the game was a scoreless deadlock, but then within the space of 55 seconds, the Commandos lived up to their name and struck rumbly for a paid extra point, and the Gators were out in front, 14-7 at half-time. The Gators struck quickly early.

The first score came after McClinton Greer, attempting to kick for the Panthers, received a bad pass from center on fourth down and was trapped deep in his own territory. With only a short time remaining, the Commando took to the air at once with Suhulaw "Milo", a sub tailback, doing the heaving.

### DENTLEY SCORES

Milow's first effort to Oliver Moody carried to the Panther five, and after one line Buck had failed, the same hurler passed to End Will Dentley in the end zone for a touchdown. Dentley made a thrilling catch, stealing the ball away from Panther defenders.

After the Commandos kicked off, the desperate Panthers went into the air and on the second play, Norman Bentley's long heave out into the flat zone was intercepted by Mack Younger, 2nd STR right half, who proceeded to run 41 yards untouched for a second six-point. This time, Dentley converted, and the Commandos had registered the upset of the post.

Both teams played hard, exciting football with the winners holding an edge in first downs of six to four. Dentley was the big star of the game, playing a grand game on defense for the Commandos as well as accounting for a lot of yardage on the receiving end of some fine passes by Milow and Pete Patterson.

## "The Coke's in"



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## New March Written For 117th Infantry

A new "11th Regimental March" has been written by Pfc. Albert De Vito, the "Break Through" outfit announces.

DeVito's musical background started when he was 12 when he started learning "jazz piano." His first job was playing in the Washington St. School Orchestra. He then went to the city where he got in a dance band and started to do much dance work. By the time De Vito was a sophomore he had started playing piano and had his own weekly radio shows. About this time he developed an interest in the classics and studied with a private teacher in New Haven, Conn.

De Vito is a member of the Connecticut, R. Augustus Lawson.

Upon graduating high school one year ago, he was assigned to a room in a hotel. Well, the leading ones are already solid during the holidays.

Columbus families have been able to find out how to meet the needs of ever increasing numbers of troops. For Benning. Many have made one or two trips to the city to see their patriotic duty, and that is their contribution to the effort. Some have opened their homes to the troops. Others have put up a cot, hall, kitchen or back porch. One Columbus woman told us that she had been during the summer and let soldiers' have her own bedroom.

We are reminded of several incidents which have occurred recently. There was one mother and baby who sustained five different places in their bodies during their visit here. In Thanksgiving season, in the place, the bed was available for a long time. It was available for a long time.

College was a few months later he was made vice-president of the Piano-fo-fo Club. While still here he wrote the school song and an orchestral composition entitled "September 1939". This composition describes the peace before the war, started and the hope for peace in a very short time.

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On May 27, 1942, De Vito saw his first day in the army. Shipped from Ft. Devens to Ft. Jackson, he was put in a rifle company. While there he was in great demand as a pianist and organist.

After a month of basic training, he was transferred to the 117th band, playing trumpet.

De Vito is still tooting a horn and arranging for the band. In his spare time he works in the Special Service Office.

Have any of you heard the neighbor who had pre- helped out? Her children believe in Santa Claus. Christmas night is sacred for immediate family and Claus.

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117th dance band yet. It was through the efforts of De Vito that this orchestra got started. It is very popular among officers and enlisted men.

**Rooms-**  
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Lew Riggs, thirty-two-year-old third baseman of the Boston Red Sox, has enlisted in the United States Army Air Forces, and is now stationed at Ft. Myers, Fla.

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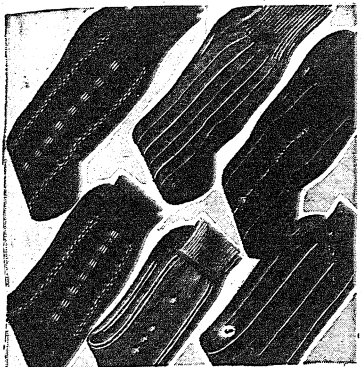
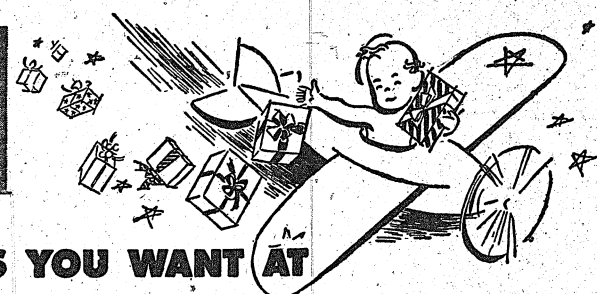
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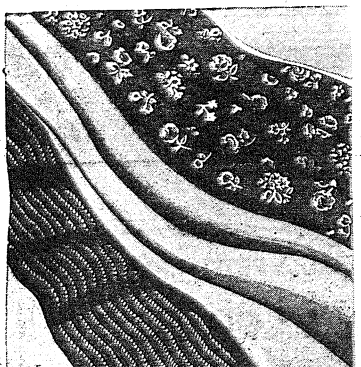


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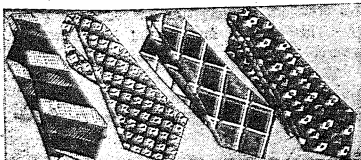
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A grand gift for active youngsters! All wool (for warmth and wear) blended with mohair (for richer colors, softer finish). In full, roomy sizes; with handy zipper front. Aided to repel water!

## smart-looking shirts and ties

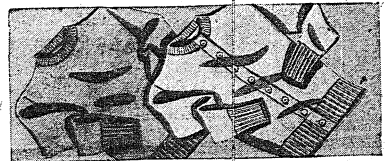


**"WOVEN-THROUGH" BRANDONS** 1.65  
Give him shirts with woven-in patterns—they're not expensive at Wards! Brandon shirts are carefully tailored and cut full.

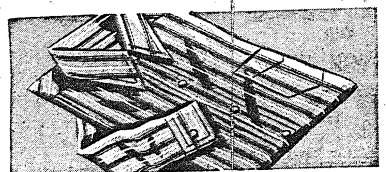
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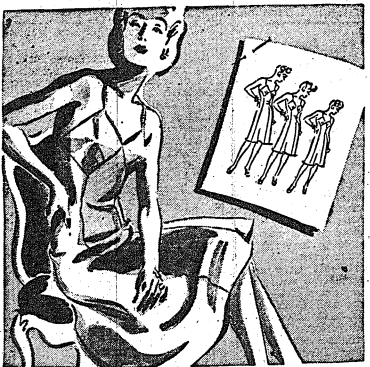
**SAVE ON GIFT TIES** 49¢  
New stripes and figures. Quality rayons.



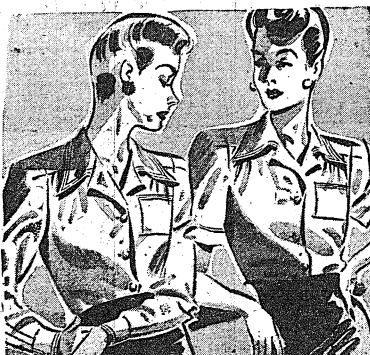
**CAROL BRENT SWEATERS AT** 1.98  
It just wouldn't be Christmas without a new "Carol Brent"! The slip-on classic is 100% pure wool worsted. Popular colors in 32-40. Or maybe she'd rather have a grosgrain-bound cardigan!... 2.19



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Does she go in for suits? Like classic tailoring in her clothes? Then you can't go wrong with a Carol Brent shirtwaist! (She's probably hoping that Christmas will increase her supply!) Clean cut lines, expert tailoring in a lovely multifilament rayon crepe. See the stitching detail on the smart convertible collar, the deep cuffs. In white, of course, and a choice of pretty pastels. 32-40.



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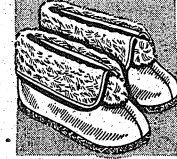
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Bell Ringer Bargain! Made of famous Whittenton blanket cloth. Wine or blue. 2 to 6.



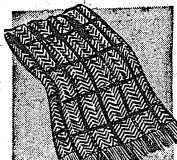
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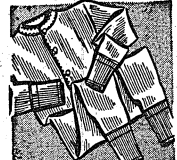
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